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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Jacob Bar-Tana  
Serial No.: 09/915,412  
Filed : July 25, 2001  
For : CARBOXYLIC ACIDS AND DERIVATIVES THEREOF AND  
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the June 13, 2003 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Final Office Action was originally due September 13, 2003. Applicant has previously established small entity status. The fee for a three-month extension of time is FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$475.00) for a small entity and a check for that amount is enclosed. With the three-month extension, a response to the June 13, 2003 Final Office Action is now due December 13, 2003. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today for the purpose of filing a continuation application.

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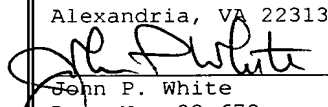
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No fee, other than the enclosed \$475.00 fee for a three-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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